📝 ACCOUNTABILITY UPDATE

Federal Accountability - Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)

Since we released the first draft of Wisconsin's ESSA plan, DPI staff presented at numerous meetings to many stakeholders, collected public feedback through an online survey, and conducted a series of June listening sessions across the state, including Tomahawk, Oshkosh, Milwaukee, Pewaukee, Madison and West Salem.

The feedback that we heard on the accountability portions of ESSA was with regard to the federal accountability indicators, the process of school identification, and allocation of resources to support school improvement.

In response to stakeholder feedback, technical input, and external reviews that we've collected since May, OEA is revising the proposal for Targeted Support & Improvement (TSI) schools; detailing how scoring will work for the accountability indicators; strengthening the rationale for cell size rules and the alignment to long-term goals; and refining the description of the student growth calculation and methodology, as well as the English language progress indicator.

We will continue to refine the draft plan before submitting to the Governor's office for an August review. In September, DPI will submit Wisconsin's proposal to the United States Department of Education (ED). For more information, please check our ESSA page, which will continue to be updated regularly: https://dpi.wi.gov/esea.

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📝 ASSESSMENT UPDATES

Assessment Data and Reporting

An overview of the Spring 2017 Assessments - Vendor Based Reporting Information is available in the Wisconsin State Assessment Timelines section of the OSA webpage. This overview provides an outline of our statewide assessments, the types of reports available from the vendors, the format in which they are provided, where, when, how they can be accessed, and general directions for their use and distribution. This document has some important information as district staff engage in data inquiry and school improvement planning this summer.

As in the past, OSA and OEA staff will keep districts informed of DPI data releases through the DAC Digest, as well as through the WISEdash for Districts landing page. DAC Digest will also include

information on when results may be shared publicly as the press release date is finalized. In the meantime, the 2016-17 assessment data in the secure portal remain under embargo. This embargo usually lasts until a DPI press release date.

The vendor-based data reporting mentioned above, as you know, is separate from the extensive processes involved here at DPI. As the final data files are being delivered to DPI from each of the vendors, DPI staff are beginning to prepare the data for reporting in WISEdash for Districts, the WISEdash Public Portal, and Accountability Report Cards. Public reporting of assessment results must meet Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) requirements regarding student data. DPI data warehouse and OEA teams are working under tight timelines this summer to load, clean, quality assure, and report data in time for the WISEdash Public and report card releases.

Aspire Results Available in ACT Aspire Portal

- Summative reports, including Individual Student Reports (ISRs) are now available in the ACT Aspire portal.
- ISRs may be downloaded and distributed to parents/guardians and students.
- ACT Aspire results in the Aspire portal contain personally identifiable student information. They should not be shared outside of a school or district setting without ensuring FERPA data security requirements are met.
- For a list of reports available to educators, schools, and districts, please see the Spring 2017 Summative Reports Guide.
- More information, including a sample parent/guardian cover letter and links to the *Understanding Your ACT Aspire Results Guide* and *Interpretive Guide for ACT Aspire Summative Reports*, can be found at the DPI ACT Aspire Data and Results webpage.
- ACT Aspire is leading free webinars for educators on the following topics related to Aspire reports:
    - Meaningful Data by User Role
    - Subject and Skill Proficiency
    - Current Progress, Supplemental Scores, and Proficiency Summary

WorkKeys National Career Readiness Certificates Available

- ACT WorkKeys National Career Readiness Certificates (NCRCs) have been loaded to the Department's Secure Access File Exchange (SAFE).
- In addition to the certificates, a .csv file containing data for all students who obtained a NCRC is available. This file contains the unique usernames and passwords needed for students to access their My WorkKeys accounts. Accessing the My WorkKeys account is necessary for students who wish to share an electronic version of their certificate with potential employers.
- NCRCs may be downloaded and distributed to parents/guardians and students, and students should be provided with their unique usernames and passwords in order to access their My WorkKeys accounts.
- For sample user id and password letters and more information about the ACT WorkKeys NCRC, please visit our OSA WorkKeys Data and Results webpage.

Assessment Uploads into WISEdash

- Last week 2016-17 ACT WorkKeys and 2016-17 ACCESS for ELLs were loaded into WISEdash for Districts. You can now view these assessment data in WISEdash for Districts secure portal. Please verify that these data look correct, and contact IT here at DPI if there any issues.

- 2014-15 and 2015-16 ACT Aspire data are now available in WISEdash Public Portal.

Reminder: National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) and International Assessments
(selected schools only)

- **Notification letters to *districts*-** Initial notification letters to district administrators with copies going to District Assessment Coordinators (DACs) were mailed in early June. These letters listed the schools in each district selected to participate in NAEP and/or any International Assessments for the 2017-18 school year. Please note that these letters usually go out by the end of May and are delayed a week this year.
- **Notification letters to *schools* last week**- Initial notification letters to principals were mailed last week. These letters include more information about the school's specific assessments, including the test date. DACs should have received emails with their schools' test dates on 6/26. Contact angela.dugas@dpi.wi.gov if you have any questions.
- **NAEP 2018** will include the following assessments:
  - Grade 4: Reading Special Studies, Science Pilots
  - Grade 8: U.S. History, Civics, and Geography National Assessments; Technology and Engineering Literacy National Assessment; Reading Special Studies; and Science Pilots
  - Grade 12: Mathematics, Reading, and Science Pilots; and Reading Special Studies
- Wisconsin also has schools selected to represent the nation in the following **International Assessments** this upcoming school year:
  - Trends in International Mathematics and Science Study (TIMSS) in grades 4 and 8
  - International Computer and Information Literacy Study (ICILS) in grade 8
- A few other reminders about NAEP and International Assessments:
  - Most of the assessments will be conducted on tablets or laptops brought in by NAEP test administrators.
  - Students will participate in only one subject area.
  - Most assessments take 90-120 minutes total for students.

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Important Dates to Remember		
	2: Deadline for Aspire to receive paper answer documents.	Aspire
June	Early-June: NAEP and International Assessments notification letters mailed to districts	NAEP and International Assessments
	Mid-June: WorkKeys paper memo and summary to examinees delivered to schools; Printed WorkKeys roster report will be mailed to test coordinators	WorkKeys
	Late-June Forward Student Reports and summary reports (for district personnel access) will be made available electronically in eDIRECT	Forward
	Late-June: NAEP and International Assessments notification letters mailed to schools with assessment dates; emails will go to DACs	NAEP and International Assessments
	Late-June: ACT non-college reportable score letters delivered to schools	ACT

July	1: WorkKeys National Career Readiness Certificates and student usernames and passwords loaded into SAFE.	WorkKeys
	7: Aspire Individual Student Reports, and school and district summative reports available in the Aspire portal.	Aspire
	10: Profile Reports and Student Data Files mailed to districts, Profile Reports mailed to schools. Non-college reportable score reports mailed to schools.	ACT
	Forward Hard copy ISRs mailed to districts	Forward
August	1: School and district profile reports available in PearsonAccessNext (duplicates of hard copy reports mailed in July).	ACT

Important Tasks to Remember	
❏ Plan for WIDA Screener Implementation for Fall 2017.	ACCESS
❏ Look for score report information later this summer.	DLM
❏ Ensure relevant team members are aware of the information regarding reading readiness assessment at Reading Readiness Overview and Reading Readiness FAQ.	Reading Readiness
❏ Distribute Aspire ISRs to students.	Aspire
❏ Distribute WorkKeys NCRCs and usernames/passwords to students.	WorkKeys
❏ Distribute non-college reportable score letters to students.	ACT

Online Resource Highlights		
As new resources are posted to our website, we will include them here for your convenience. This is NOT an exhaustive list, but meant to highlight resources with significant relevance to our upcoming test windows.		
Resource	**Description**	**Assessment**
ACT and WorkKeys Report Schedule	Descriptions and delivery dates for district, school, and student-level reports	ACT/WorkKeys
ACT Data and Results	DPI webpage with links to sample reports and resources for understanding and using ACT reports	
WorkKeys Data and Results	DPI webpage with links to sample reports and resources for understanding and using WorkKeys reports	
Aspire Data and Results	DPI webpage with links to sample reports and resources for understanding and using ACT Aspire reports	Aspire
Forward Data and Results	DPI webpage with links to sample ISR cover letters and resources for understanding Forward Reports	Forward
ACCESS for ELLs Calendar	Provides an overview of relevant 2017-18 dates	ACCESS
Standard Setting Impacts	Information on this year's score changes	
OSA Office Hours Webinar -	The DAC Resources and Trainings page will house our recorded webinar, as well as the accompanying PowerPoint presentation.	General
Report Card Resources	Various resources to assist in understanding, explaining, and using the 2015-16 school and district report card data	OEA